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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BEIRUT EVACUATION

REF: STATE 181225

CROWN PRINCE SENDS YOU FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON YOUR MESSAGE OF TODAY:

"EVER SINCE MY ORIGINAL DISCUSSION WITH YOU ON THIS SUBJECT (MONDAY EVENING A WEEK AGO) I HAVE BEEN IN REPEATED CONTACT WITH THE PLO LEADERSHIP URGING THEM TO TAKE ACTION AS REQUIRED TO MAKE THE EVACUATION AS SMOOTH AND EXPEDITIOUS AS POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, IT SEEMS THAT THE PLO LEADERSHIP IS NO LONGER EFFECTIVE, AND FURTHERMORE THERE ARE NEW FACTORS AND NEW LEADERS IN THE PICTURE; OUR REGULAR

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CONTACTS IN THE PLO ARE THEREFORE APPARENTLY NOT BEING

LISTENED TO. HOWEVER, I APPRECIATE YOUR MESSAGE
AND FULLY COMPREHEND ITS IMPORT. I AM TAKING URGENT MEASURES
TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PALESTINIANS UNDERSTAND THE FULL
IMPLICATIONS OF THEIR PRESENT STAND."
PORTER
UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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